

COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC/PUBLIC SAFETY

May 12, 2003

5:30 PM

Chairman Sysyn called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Sysyn, Guinta, Osborne, Garrity, Forest

Messrs: Lt. Valenti, Tom Lolicata

Chairman Sysyn addressed Item 3 of the agenda:

Communications from Dan Blair, Property Manager at Washington Park and Albert M. Stangler of 16 Country Club Drive regarding the “No Parking” signs installed on the East Side of Country Club Drive.

On a motion of Alderman Forest, duly seconded by Alderman Osborne, it was voted to table this item.

Chairman Sysyn addressed Item 4 of the agenda:

Ordinance submitted by Police Department:

“Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Manchester by creating §75.00 Motorized Scooters established to govern the use of motorized scooters in the City of Manchester.”

Chairman Sysyn stated Tom Arnold says we may be illegal on...or he didn't get a chance to review it, so we'll have to table this one also.

Alderman Guinta stated I haven't read this thoroughly, so what does this do right now?

Lt. Valenti replied it would help us obviously govern the motorized scooter, which is called a go-ped. Right now we don't have any enforcement laws that govern these.

Alderman Guinta asked how does this affect the Segway? There is a State law that allows Segways essentially anywhere that a person, pedestrian goes.

Lt. Valenti stated this ordinance shall govern the use of all motorized scooters, also known as go-peds or motorized skateboards, on all public streets, alleys, and highways within the City of Manchester and the property designation owned by the City. Motorized scooters are not considered motorized vehicles per NH Motor Vehicle laws.

Alderman Osborne asked so liability insurance would come into the picture at all? There are going to be problems, it sounds like.

Alderman Guinta stated I don't want there to be any misunderstanding. It sounds like it does not apply to the Segway.

Lt. Valenti stated that's what we're trying to do. We're trying to get a clarification on that.

Alderman Forest asked can I follow up on that? I think when I originally asked for this...or actually when Lt. Valenti called me saying now that there's a way of doing it, and you referred it to me. I was going to refer it to Leo but Carol Johnson said it was supposed to go to the City Solicitor's office first and I don't know whether it did nor not, other than the fact that he's saying it may be illegal. But I think that's why we referred it to him.

Chairman Sysyn stated I don't think he's really had time to go through it.

Alderman Guinta stated it makes sense to table it but I would also ask him when he reviews it that he review it also in the scope of how does it affect the Segway and it looks like it doesn't.

Alderman Forest stated you're talking two years to get this ordinance and the reason it was holding him up is because of the State. The State Motor Vehicle and the State was not giving it to them and they finally gave in and said it would be possible to get this one.

On a motion of Alderman Guinta, duly seconded by Alderman Forest, it was voted to table this item.

Chairman Sysyn addressed Item 5 of the agenda:

Chairman Sysyn advises that the Traffic Department has submitted an agenda, which needs to be addressed as follows:

NO PARKING

On Cedar St., north side, from Tarrytown Rd. to a point 65 feet westerly
Alderman Osborne

On Valley St., north side, from Belmont St. to a point 45 feet east
Alderman Osborne

On Lowell St., north side, from a point 50 feet east of Pine St. to a point 75 feet
east
Alderman Guinta

On Bubier St., south side, from Beaver St. to a point 110 feet east
Alderman Sysyn

On Beech St., west side, from a point 65 feet south of Spruce Southback St. to
Cedar St.
Alderman Osborne

RESCIND NO PARKING

On Cedar St., north side, from Tarrytown Rd. to a point 120 feet westerly
(#2767)
Alderman Osborne

On Harriman St., west side, from Glenwood Ave. to a point 95 feet northerly
(#8537)
Alderman Smith

On Bubier St., both side, from Beaver St. to a point 110 feet east (#2735)
Alderman Sysyn

PARKING 10 HOURS (8AM-8PM, MON-FRI) METERS

On Pine St., west side, from Concord St. to Lowell St.
Alderman Guinta

On Lowell St., north side, from Pine St. to a point 50 feet easterly
Alderman Guinta

On Lowell St., north side, from a point 125 feet east of Pine St. to Union St.
Alderman Guinta

**RESCIND PARKING TWO HOURS (8AM-8PM, MON-FRI) METERS
(4/18/72)**

On Pine St., west side, from Concord St. to Lowell St.
Alderman Guinta

STOP SIGN

On Manchester St. at Beacon St., swc
Alderman Sysyn

On Joshua St. at Stanton St., swc
Alderman DeVries

On Sinclair Ave. at Candia Rd., nwc
Alderman Pinard

PARKING TWO HOURS (8AM-6PM, MON-SAT)

On Valley St., north side, from a point 45 feet east of Belmont St. to a point 40 feet east
Alderman Osborne

RESCIND PARKING TWO HOUR METERS

On Lowell St., north side, from Pine St. to Union St. (#7706)
Alderman Guinta

NO PARKING TOW ZONE

At the dead end of Fourth St., south of Walker St. for a width of 30 feet
Alderman Smith

RESCIND NO PARKING BUS STOP (#2575)

On Ashland St., east side, from Concord St. to a point 110 feet north
Alderman Sysyn

NO TRUCKS ALLOWED

On Harvard St. from Maple St. to Union St.
Alderman Shea

PARKING FOR FIRE BUSINESS ONLY (8AM-6PM, MON-FRI)

On Somerville St., south side, from a point 120 feet east of Hall St. to a point 25 feet east
Alderman Shea

RESCIND PARKING ONE HOUR (SEVEN DAYS)

On Beech St., west side, from a point 20 feet north of Cedar St. to a point 18 feet north (#8426)
Alderman Osborne
On Beech St., west side, from a point 60 feet north of Cedar St. to Cedar Northback St. (#8415)
Alderman Osborne

RESCIND NO PARKING HANDICAP ONLY

On Beech St., west side, from a point 38 feet north of Cedar St. to a point 22 feet north (#8427)
Alderman Osborne

PARKING ONE HOUR (SEVEN DAYS)

On Beech St., west side, from Spruce Southback Street to a point 45 feet southerly

Alderman Osborne

HANDICAP PARKING ONLY

On Beech St., west side, from a point 45 feet south of Spruce Southback St. to a point 20 feet south

Alderman Osborne

RESCIND NO PARKING DURING SCHOOL HOURS

On S. Porter St., west side, from a point 190 feet south of Roysan St. to a point 365 feet south (#6147)

Alderman DeVries

NO PARKING ANYTIME

On S. Porter St., west side, from a point 575 feet north of Weston Rd. to a point 105 feet north

Alderman DeVries

On S. Jewett St., west side, from Constant St. to Weston Rd.

Alderman DeVries

EMERGENCY ACT – NO PARKING ANYTIME

On Wellington Rd., both sides, from Londonderry Turnpike to Eastwind Dr.

Alderman Pinard

Alderman Osborne stated I want to add one thing.

Chairman Sysyn asked does it have to come in under new business?

Alderman Osborne replied I just talked to Tom and he knows about it from before.

Tom Lolicata noted it is not part of this agenda. I think he has to bring it under new business.

On a motion of Alderman Forest, duly seconded by Alderman Osborne, it was voted to accept the traffic agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Osborne stated the New Business item is a (back up) stop sign in the northwest corner on Cedar and Wilson.

Mr. Lolicata stated that will be a (back up) stop sign, two in one direction. Just put back up in parenthesis.

Alderman Osborne stated it's right at the corner where the crossing guard is and then they can see that visual. They come up my street very fast.

On a motion of Alderman Osborne, duly seconded by Alderman Garrity, it was voted to add a (back up) stop sign on the northwest corner of Cedar Street.

Alderman Garrity stated I believe it was January or sometime were the Chamber of Commerce was in front of this Committee about the new logo that they had proposed. There was a request to put it on City vehicles and around the streets of Manchester. I was under the impression that part of the request for this Committee was to get a cost estimate on how much that would cost. I'm seeing the signs pop up all around the City and I'm curious if that's come in. Is that coming up out of your budget Tom?

Mr. Lolicata replied it's come out of mine and the request came from the Chamber. They also gave me the instructions of where to place them. Except for three of them, which I couldn't do, because I have to take two more down by the way because they're on State ramps. We put up a total I believe of 20 of them, minus about five right now. So there will be about 15 of them up in the City right now.

Alderman Guinta asked did that obtain full Aldermanic approval?

Alderman Forest stated I agree with Alderman Garrity that we had talked about it and then we asked her to come up with a cost and come back to us. I don't remember what committee it was, but I remember that.

Chairman Sysyn asked didn't we discuss it at a full Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting?

Mr. Lolicata asked she spoke before the full board didn't she?

Alderman Garrity stated that was before it came to this Committee

Alderman Guinta stated and then it came to this Committee.

Alderman Osborne asked that's out of your budget Tom? How much is that so far?

Mr. Lolicata replied I haven't got an estimate right now.

Alderman Guinta asked why wouldn't it be on our agenda as a tabled item?

Alderman Garrity stated it's not on the agenda as a tabled item, and that's the thing that caught me. My memory makes me think that we tabled it.

Chairman Sysyn stated it would be on the agenda though.

Legislative Assistant Thibault stated I thought it was in front of two committees and I thought it would be brought up at a board meeting.

Mr. Lolicata stated that's what I thought.

Alderman Forest stated I recall asking her to come up with a price.

Mr. Lolicata stated it was a girl who works for Comstock, Vickie Seminole, and she came up to Traffic and she gave me a list of where to put them up and that's why I thought it was OK.

Alderman Guinta asked what's the cost of that? Is that coming out of your budget Tom?

Mr. Lolicata replied I had the stuff in inventory but its still part of my budget. It's inventory. We did it. We usually do it for...I don't know if the Chamber is considered non-profit or whatever, but others usually pay for it. When there are those that want their own signs they'll either pay us or get somebody to make the signs.

Alderman Garrity stated I don't think I'm mistaking you, I think the request was that we get a cost estimate before we do that, and I think there's some confusion that it was at the full board, but it was at the full board before it was in this Committee.

Mr. Lolicata stated Dick Hill had no part of it. That's a different story altogether. This is for signage.

Alderman Osborne asked what kind of an impact do you think you're going to get out of those signs, saying what it says?

Alderman Guinta stated I would make a motion to instruct the Clerk's office to research the issue and could they get back to us by phone? And if it is not passed at a full board...

Alderman Garrity stated and I think what's important too...if it has passed the full board, but I don't think it has, but we should make it known that we requested an item, a cost estimate, and we expect to have a cost estimate before we go ahead and process it.

Mr. Lolicata asked would this be...because 99 percent of the time you people pass something for these people and it never goes to the full board. Although this I think was discussed before the full board. What would you like me to do? The signs are made now.

Alderman Guinta stated if we could get clarification from the City Clerk's office and then can the City Clerk's office call the members of the board to...does that make sense to get an answer?

Legislative Assistant Thibault asked you want me to research it and let the Committee know what's going on? And then you want me to call to inform you?

Alderman Guinta replied you could just call Chairman Sysyn and she could call us.

Legislative Assistant Thibault stated I could send you something in your mail tomorrow afternoon.

Alderman Forest stated we could do something at our next meeting.

Alderman Guinta asked do we need a motion for that?

Legislative Assistant Thibault replied no.

Chairman Sysyn stated the City Clerk's office will send us some information.

Alderman Guinta interjected or at the very least that the board did act on it and we still want a cost estimate from the Chamber.

Alderman Garrity asked is the Chamber non-profit?

Alderman Guinta replied they're not a 501C3, they are a...which means they're not a non-profit. They're a five...I don't believe they're a non-profit because they're not a 501C3, which I think is the only designation for non-profit.

Alderman Garrity asked could I also make a request from the Traffic Director that we get a cost estimate of the cost so far. Do you count man-hours into that?

Mr. Lolicata replied non-profits say...yes I could give you man-hours. It would take about eight hours or whatever for everything.

TABLED ITEM

One-Way Streets:

Hollis and Kidder

(Note: This item was tabled on 4/8 pending a meeting between Alderman Guinta, Tom Lolicata, and the constituents involved.)

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion of Alderman Guinta, duly seconded by Alderman Forest, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

Clerk of Committee